Relieving Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai of his duties as Honorary Secretary of the Trivandrum Public Library.

148. **MR. K. KRISHNAN NAYAR** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the date on which Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai was appointed Honorary Secretary to the Trivandrum Public Library Committee;

(*b*) the period for which he was appointed to hold the office;

(*c*) whether he has been relieved of his duties as Honorary Secretary:

(*d*) the grounds, if any, on which the Government passed the order to relieve him;

(*e*) whether it is a fact that he was relieved of the office on the ground that he could not hold the Wardenship of the Law College Hostel and the Secretaryship of the Library Committee along with his place as Lecturer in the Law College;

(*f*) whether the other members of the Law College staff have been Wardens of the Law College Hostel before;

(*g*) whether Mr. Velu Pillai was Warden on a previous occasion, and, if so, for what period and when;

(*h*) whether Mr. Velu Pillai was not Secretary to the Library Committee when he was appointed Warden this time;

(*i*) whether they then adverted to the possibility or otherwise of Mr. Velu Pillai holding all the offices;

(*j*) why they changed their views;

(*k*) whether there was any reason for the change of views;

(*l*) whether the Law College Principal or the High Court recommended to the Government that Mr. Velu Pillai should be relieved of the post of Honorary Secretary;

(*m*) whether there was any report made to the Government by the Library Committee or the High Court that there was slackness or delay in the work on account of combination of the offices;

(*n*) whether Mr. Velu Pillai was given a choice between the Honorary Secretaryship and the Wardenship; and

(*o*) whether he was asked if he would be able to look after the duties of both the offices, and, if not, why not?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) to (*e*) The member is referred to the answer to interpellation No. 145 by Mr. A.S. Damodaran Asan on the subject.

(*f*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*g*) Mr. T. K. Velu Pillai has been Warden of the Law College Hostel for 2 years without any remuneration, from 1925—27.

(*h*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*i*) The answer is in the negative.

(*j*) and (*k*) These do not arise, in view of the answer to part (*i*).

(*l*) to (*o*) The answer is in the negative in each case.

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